# MOPAC MOBILITY PROJECT CITY OF AUSTIN MOPAC MOBILITY PROJECT

#### **Presentation Outline**

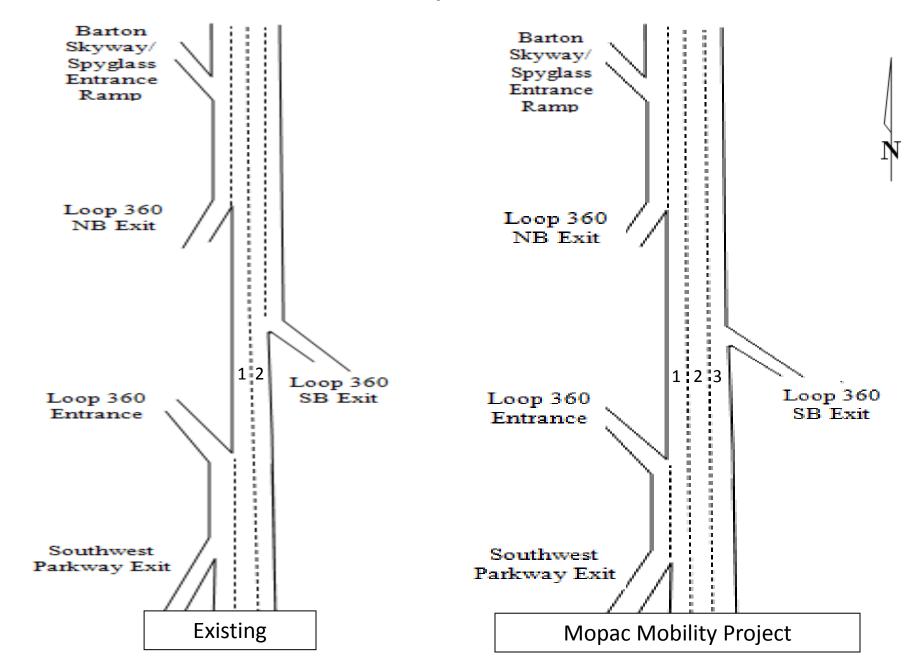
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### Why is this project important?

- Addresses multi-modal mobility and connectivity for the Mopac Corridor.
  - Once the pedestrian and bicycle bridge is completed Southbound Mopac will be restriped to allow three lanes of southbound traffic past Loop 360 (two exist today).
- Reduces vehicle delay for Southbound Mopac.
- Provides pedestrian and bicycle access to:
  - Recreational uses,
  - Commercial centers,
  - Residential uses, and
  - Major employers
- Priority project in the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan, the Urban Trails Master Plan, the Bicycle Master Plan, the Sidewalk Master Plan, and the CAMPO Transportation Improvement Program.
- Consistent with Imagine Austin.

Image: Looking northbound at Loop 360 and Mopac. The site of one of the bridges over Loop 360.

#### Southbound Mopac Vehicle Lanes





#### **WE ARE HERE**

PHASE 1

Construction on Micropile foundations to begin. Micropile foundation completed. Bridge columns in progress. Bridge columns completed. Installation of bridge beams will begin. Installation of bridge rail and illumination. Bulk of shareduse path completed.

Construction substantially completed.



PHASE 2

DEC '14

Construction activities to begin with installation of bridge foundations.

MAR '15

Bridge foundations completed. Installation of bridge beams

to begin.

**APR '15** 

JUNE '15

Bridge columns and beams completed and in place. Retaining walls and bridge slab in progress. SEPT 15

Installation of bridge rail and illumination to begin along with concrete for the shared-use path. DEC '15

Construction substantially completed.

MAR '16

#### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

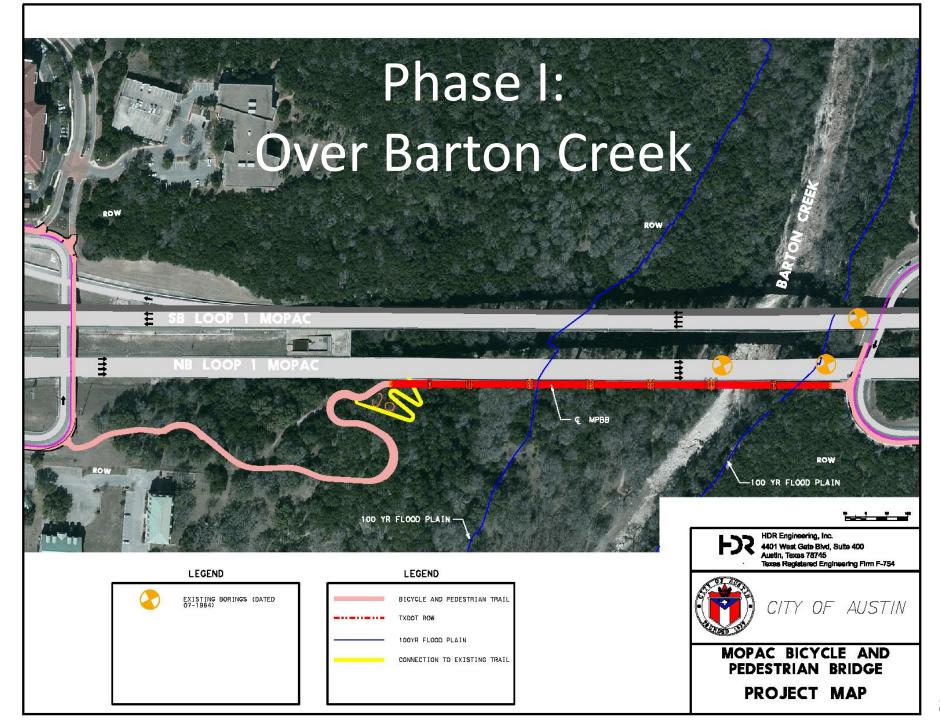
ITEM	PHASE 1	PHASE 2
Environmental/Design (City of Austin 2006, 2010, 2012 Bonds)	\$2,202,913	
Advanced Funding Agreement for Construction Costs	\$4,440,747 – Proposition 12 Congestion Funding- TXDOT	\$2,500,000* – Surface Transportation Program Metropolitan Mobility - CAMPO
Actual Construction Cost when bids were opened	\$7,773,016	\$2,985,697
City of Austin Contribution to Construction (2012 Bond named project)	\$3,332,269**	\$485,697
Total Project Cost	\$12,961,626	
Total City of Austin Funding	\$6,520,879	

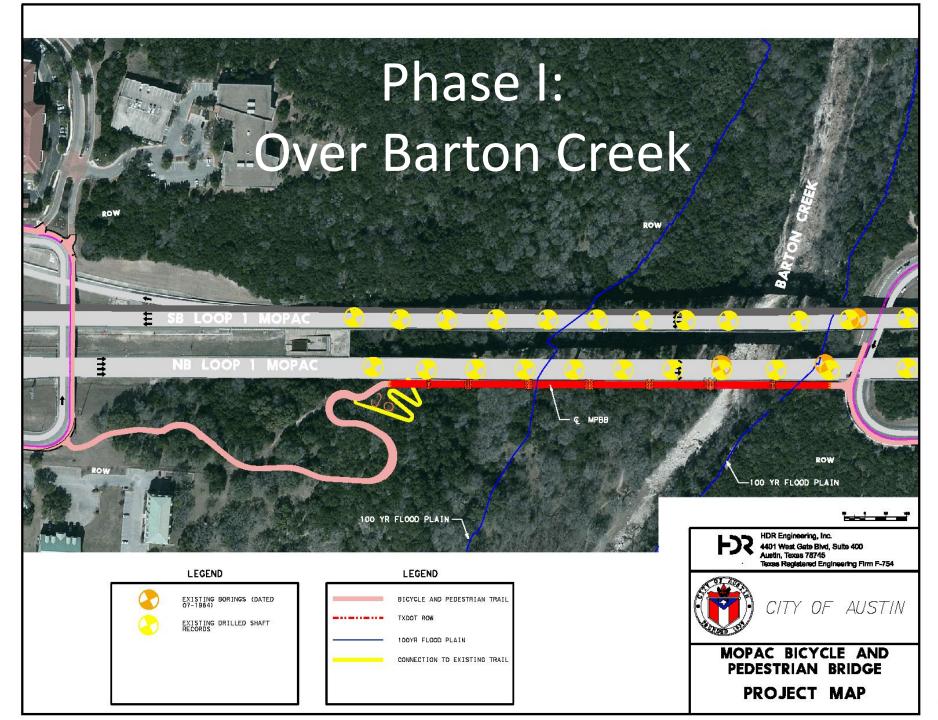
<sup>\* \$500,000</sup> of City of Austin funding included as a grant match

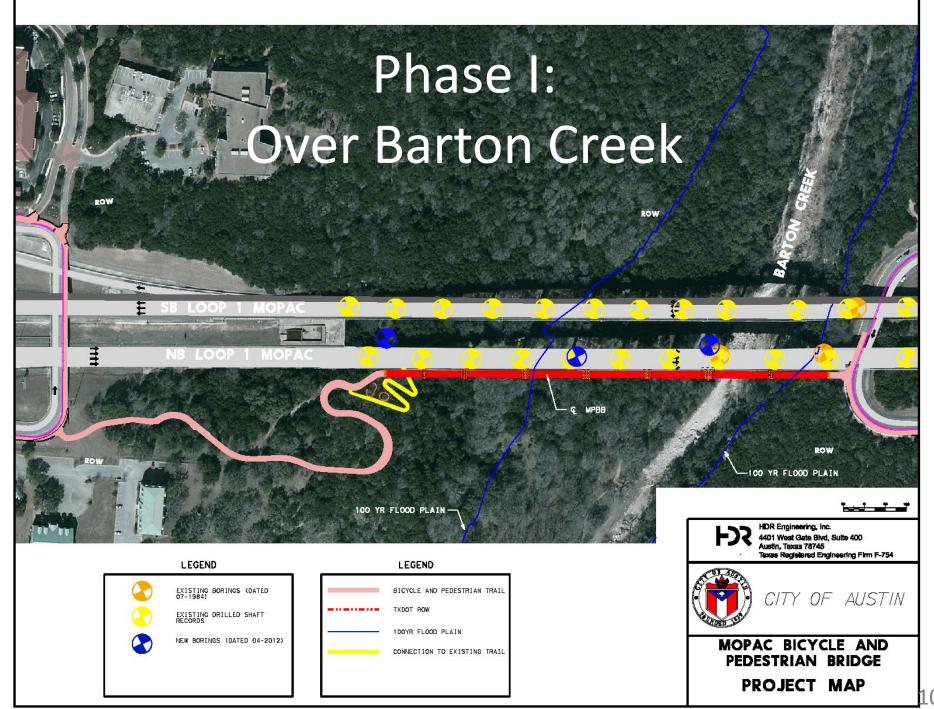
<sup>\*\*</sup>City Council awards project \$4M in construction authority.

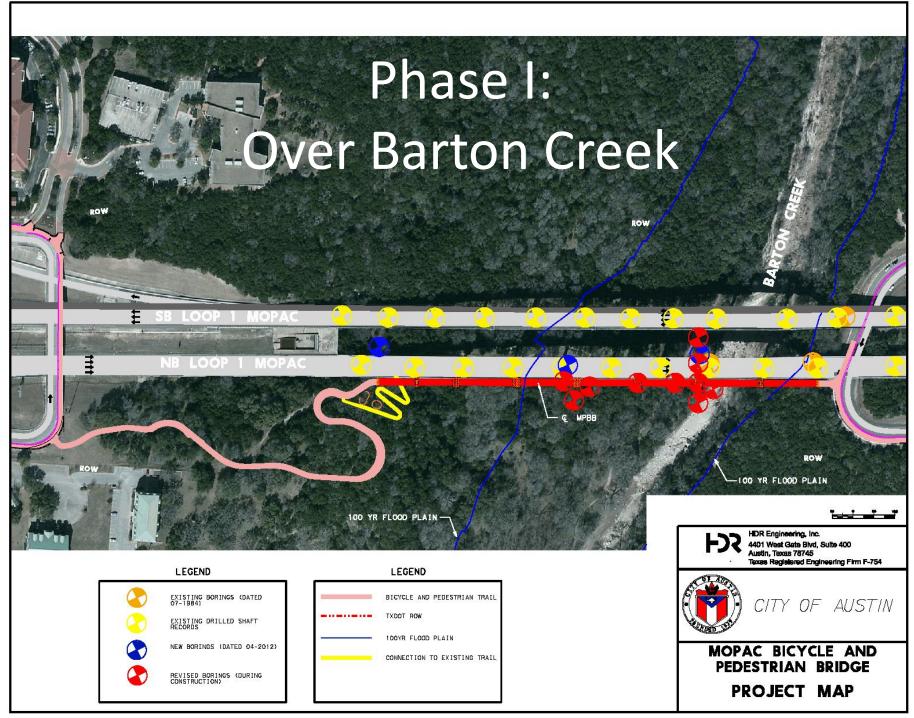
#### Why are we here?

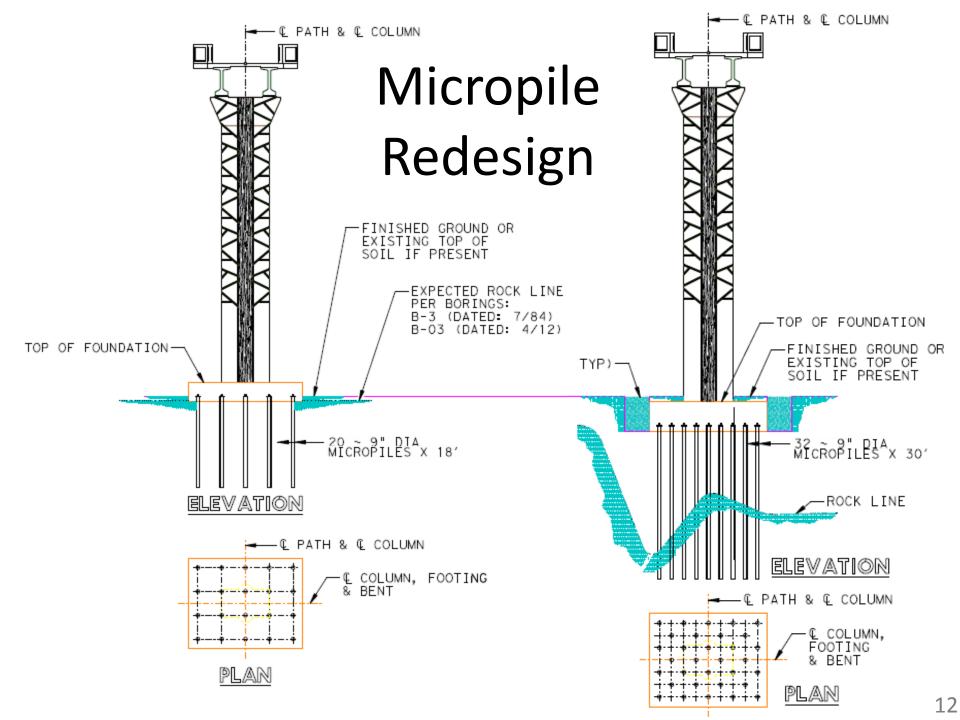
- Due to unforeseen conditions, we need to increase the authority of the Mopac Mobility Project over Barton Creek.
- We are seeking a positive recommendation from the Mobility Committee to City Council for the Request for Council Action (RCA) to increase authority for this project.











#### FINANCIAL SUMMARY (Update)

ITEM	PHASE 1 - Over Barton Creek
Original Authority (2012 Bond named project)	\$4,000,000
City of Austin Contribution to Construction	\$3,332,269
Remaining Authority	\$667,730
Change Order (Foundation Change)	\$983,097
Authority needed for this Change Order	\$315,367
Authority Requested to cover this change order and possible future change orders so that project can be completed	\$1,000,000*

<sup>\*</sup>Funding is available from the 2012 Bond for funds allocated to Urban Trails. This is a request for an increase in authority.

## If \$315,367 of additional authority is needed for this change order, why ask for an increase of \$1,000,000 in authority?

- The City and TxDOT have entered into a contractual obligation that the City will pay for agreed upon changes over the \$4,440,747 originally provided from TxDOT.
- City staff must approve all change orders. City Council approves additional authority. However, seeking Council approval takes time, which may delay construction and therefore increase project costs.
- Funding (provided from the Urban Trails Program) not used on this project will be reallocated for future Urban Trails projects.

#### **Next Steps:**

- The Public Works Department will request City Council to increase authority by \$1,000,000 for the Mopac Mobility Project over Barton Creek to cover this change order (due to unforeseen conditions) and any future change orders needed to complete the project.
- An RCA will be submitted for the next City
  Council meeting (5/7/15) so that City staff can
  approve this change order without additional
  project delay or increased project costs.